

EX-TROOPER WHO FLED AFTER PROBE QUIZZED SECRETLY IN HALL MURDER

Harry Dickman Urged to Reveal Facts About Crime

Investigation into the Hall-Mills murder switched to Governor's Island this afternoon, where Harry Dickman, former New Jersey state trooper, is being questioned by agents of the secret service.

Dickman was a leading figure in the first probe of the mystery crime, four years ago, but suddenly disappeared without taking the formality to resign and leaving his pay check behind. He was discovered two weeks ago in the army disciplinary barracks near San Francisco, to which he had been sent for desertion.

Special Prosecutor Alexander Simpson refused to furnish any information concerning Dickman's story except to say that the agent who is questioning him is the one who brought him from the Pacific Coast on a special order of the War Department.

Quizzed About Clothing

While the one-time trooper was being interrogated regarding his findings in the initial investigation, Police Inspector Underwood and his men were continuing the examination of witnesses in Somerville, N. J. Among these was Leonard Cray, a colored boy, who found two bales of clothing, some of it bloodstained, in a sandpit near Brunswick Pike and the Lincoln Hospital.

Although Inspector Underwood does not see any connection between the clothing and the actual killing of the Rev. Edward W. Hall

Mrs. Hall Visits Kinsmen in Jail



PHOTOGRAPH shows Mrs. Frances Hall and a woman friend, together with Timothy M. Pfeiffer, N. Palzer and A. Studer, Jr., attorneys associated in the Hall defense, leaving the Somerset county jail in Somerville, where she visited her brothers, Henry and Willie Stevens, and her cousin, Henry de la B. Carpenter, who are prisoners charged with the murder of her husband and the choir singer, Mrs. Eleanor Mills. Mrs. Hall is at liberty on \$40,000 bail, charged with complicity in the slaying.

Mrs. Hall Bars Attack On Husband's Character At Risk of Jail or Death

NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J., Sept. 29.—Frances Stevens Hall will walk smilingly to prison or the electric chair before she allows her lawyers to attack the character of her dead husband.

Jury Decides Cop's Fate in Shooting Over Girl's Love

The case of Peter Reuger, former policeman, of 329 West 30th St., Brooklyn, who was tried before County Judge McLaughlin in Brooklyn on a charge of assault in the first degree, will go to the jury today.

Reuger is accused of shooting James A. Murray, a warrant officer of the Bridge Plaza Court, when the latter tried to arrest him on a charge of annoying Miss Fay Kaplan, 19, of 244 Roebling St.

Reuger said that he had the gun in his possession because he intended to kill himself if Miss Kaplan refused to marry him. He said that he shot Murray because he thought he saw the warrant officer reach for a gun in his pocket.

Can Evict Tenant Without Reason, Judge Decides

Landlords may evict tenants for no other reason than that they want the premises, according to a decision made in the Fourth District Municipal Court in Brooklyn by Justice Charles J. Carroll.

Under the decision the tenant has no protection except the power of the court to grant him a six months' stay of eviction until he can find new living quarters.

The case that came before Justice Carroll was that of Fletcher A. Miller, a landlord, against Charles A. Miller, his brother, who occupied a top floor four-room apartment at 586 McDonough St., Brooklyn.

Economist Praises Ford's 5-Day Week

CAMBRIDGE, MASS., Sept. 29. (By U. P.).—Harvard University economists have



turned to Henry Ford's announcement of the institution of a five-day week in his automobile plants as one of the interesting recent developments in the field of economics.

Prof. William Riplley, one of the most famous economists, pointed out that "Mr. Ford is a practical man" and opined that "if people are offered an incentive it stands to reason they will work all the harder."

HOSPITAL GETS \$100,000

An anonymous gift of \$100,000—the second large anonymous donation within a year—will virtually clear the indebtedness for the new building of Mountside Hospital, Montclair, N. J. Announcement of the new donation has been made by Mrs. Franklin Kooper, president of the board of governors of

The GRAPHIC learned today that the woman indicted for the slaying of her husband, the Rev. Edward Wheeler Hall, and his choir singer, Mrs. Eleanor Mills, has driven her counsel to despair by her stand in this matter.

Would Bare Rector's Amours

Counsel for Mrs. Hall, Willie and Henry Stevens, her brothers, and Henry de la B. Carpenter, their cousin, wish to tell a jury that the slain clergyman was so promiscuous in his love affairs that several women had reasons to wish him dead.

If they could leave the judges of their clients' fate with such an impression the Hall attorneys believe they would have traveled a long way towards a verdict of acquittal for the four accused.

For the defense believes, despite the prosecution's repeated claim or more than one eyewitness to the murders, that Special Prosecutor Alexander W. Simpson will be able to produce only Jane Gibson, the "pig woman," to testify that she saw Mrs. Hall, Willie Stevens and Henry Carpenter at the murder scene on the old Phillips farm.



Mrs. Jane Gibson Willie Stevens

If the Hall lawyers are right in this contention, and Simpson has only Mrs. Gibson as an eyewitness, the importance of the motive argument is easily seen.

At a recent conference in her home here, Mrs. Hall is reported to have recognized this, but to have insisted firmly, after two and a

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Offers Passionate Letters To Prove Mate Loved Her

Passionate love letters written by Le Grande J. Redfield, son of Charles C. Redfield, advertising magnate, to the wife whom he wed secretly in June, 1925, and left a few months later featured papers presented to Justice Wasservogel today when the suit for separate maintenance brought by Mrs. Marie Schoenmaker Redfield came up in Supreme Court.

Attorneys for Mrs. Redfield, who asks \$75 a week temporary alimony and \$1,000 counsel fees, offered the letters in support of Mrs. Redfield's denial of her husband's charge that he never loved her and never intended making a home for her.

One letter, written after a secret honeymoon on Nantucket enjoyed according to the complainant, while Redfield's father thought he was away on a hunting trip, runs:

"My darling little wife—Goodness, Dear, every moment we had together sticks out in my memory as very near Heaven. You were wonderful, darling—so sweet and helpful. I realize only too well what a dutiful and devoted little wife you are, Sweetheart. Red."

"I am beginning to realize more than ever what true love means," said one letter, and in another:—"I realize, dear, I have shown myself to be a cad in your eyes, but trust me, Schoey darling, from now on I'll be the best friend you've got in this world."

Mrs. Redfield charges that she visited the elder Redfield in his office after her husband left her and that he offered her \$50 a month for five years and \$5,000 cash if she would go to Reno and get a divorce.

UNITED HEAD HELD IN FUR STRIKE ROW

MINEOLA, L. I., Sept. 29.—Barnett Basoff, one of three strikers convicted of assaulting Jack and Michael Barnett, furriers, of Rockville Center, has made a statement involving nine other union members and saying Benjamin Gold, business manager of the union, ordered the attack, according to District Attorney Elvin N. Edwards.

Gold was arrested in New York last night, brought to Mineola, and arraigned before County Judge Lewis J. Smith, who held him in \$5,000 bail on a charge of assault. Edwards said counsel for the union had agreed to produce the nine other men.

His wife, who lives at 1847 Atlantic Ave., Brooklyn, said White is "a bully dragged me around by the hair of my head."

She said he strutted about the house like a peacock.

Funeral services for Col. James Crooke McLeer, Brooklyn lawyer and soldier, who died on Saturday night, were held yesterday morning in the Church of the Holy Innocents, Beverly Road and East 17th St., Brooklyn.



Mrs. Frances Hall J. J. Underwood

and Mrs. Eleanor R. Mills, he thought it best to question Cray. The latter could not recall when the bales were discovered, but believes it was some time after the bodies of the minister and his choir singer were found.

Hands Scratched

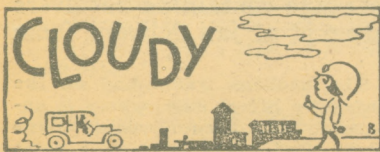
Another witness today was Lawrence Cake who told of having visited the old Phillips farm and looking at the bodies. He said the hands of the clergyman were scratched and this, police declare, corroborates the statements of others that a fight preceded the actual killings.

In the meantime, Mrs. Frances Stevens Hall, widow of the slain rector, rested in her New Brunswick home, refusing to see re-

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THE WEATHER

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 1926.



U. S. WEATHER FORECAST

LOCAL.—Cloudy tonight and Thursday; continued cool; moderate easterly winds.

EASTERN NEW YORK.—Mostly cloudy tonight and Thursday; slightly cooler Thursday in extreme north portion; moderate easterly winds.

Hour	Temp	Weather	Barom.	Wind
Midnight	52	Cloudy	30.22	E. 18
2 a. m.	52	Cloudy	30.22	E. 18
4 a. m.	51	Cloudy	30.21	E. 14
6 a. m.	53	Cloudy	30.20	E. 12
8 a. m.	55	Rainy	30.23	E. 10
10 a. m.	56	Cloudy	30.23	E. 12